IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

MONDAY, THE NINTH DAY OF AUGUST
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

HON'BLE SRI DEVINDER GUPTA,

CHIEF JUSTICE

and
HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE C.V.RAMULU

WRIT PETITION NO : 2497 of 2001

Between:

Kanakagiri Rama Rao,

S/o Late K.S.K. Murthy,

Aged 37 years, Occ: Advocate,

R/o 5-4-27, Distilary Road,

Secunderabad – 3.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1. Union of India, rep. by its

Principal Secretary for Petroleum,

Central Secretariat, Shastri Bhavan,

New Delhi.

2. Director, Central Bureau of Investigation,

Office situated at Kendriya Sadan,

Koti, Hyderabad.

3. Dealers Selection Board, rep. by its

Chairman, C/o Hindustan Petroleum

Corporation Limited, Sebastian Road,

S.D. Road, Secunderabad.

4. Dealers Selection Board, rep. by its

Chairman, Chandralok Complex,

Opp. Paradise, Sec'bad.

5. Dealers Selection Board, rep. by its

Chairman, Nalgonda Zone, Vijayawada II,

C/o Hindustan Petroleum Corporation

Limited's Guest House, Kondapalli,

Vijayawada.

6. Dealers Selection Board, rep. by its

Chairman, C/o Hindustan Petroleum

Corporation Limited, Gopalapura,

Vizag.

7. Dealers Selection Board, rep. by its

Chairman, Vijayawada Zone I,

D.No.5-527/2, Chennupati Complex,

Near Ashoknagar Bus Stop,

Bundar Road, Vijayawada – 520 007.

8. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd.,

rep. by its Regional Manager,

Himayatnagar, Hyderabad – 500 029.

9. Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., rep. by

its Chief Divisional Manager, 126,

S.D. Road (2nd Floor), Secunderabad –

500 003.

(RRs 8 & 9 are impleaded as per court order

dt: 14.02.2001 in WP.No.2497 of 2001).

… RESPONDENTS.

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue a writ, order or orders, more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents insofar as allotment of petrol-diesel retail outlets and Liquified Petroleum Gas agencies to the candidates who have been selected through interviews conducted by the respondents 2 to 6 for extraneous considerations and for selfish motives, particularly the action of the respondents in appointing the persons for the posts of Chairman with the rank of retired Judges of Additional District Judges instead of Judges of the rank of retired High Court Judges as highly arbitrary, illegal and unconstitutional.

Counsel for the Petitioner:MR.GOPALA KRISHNA KALANIDHI (Not Present)

Counsel for the respondent No. 3 : Mr. P.V. Sanjay Kumar.

Counsel for the respondent No.2: Mr. Gowri Shanker Sanghi. (Not Present).

The Court Made the Following:

ORAL ORDER:

(Per Hon'ble The Chief Justice)

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None appeared for the petitioner. It appears that petitioner is no more interested in prosecuting the petition. Writ petition is dismissed as such. No costs.

DEVINDER GUPTA. C.J.,

C.V. RAMULU. J.,

Dated: 09.08.2004.

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To

1. Principal Secretary for Petroleum,
Union of India, Central Secretariat, Shastri Bhavan,
New Delhi.

2. The Director, Central Bureau of Investigation,
Office situated at Kendriya Sadan,
Koti, Hyderabad.

3. The Chairman, Dealers Selection Board,
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9. The Chief Divisional Manager,
Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., 126,
S.D. Road (2nd Floor), Secunderabad –
500 003.

10. The Officer concerned, Public Interest Litigation Cell,
High Court Buildings, Hyderabad.

11. Two CD copies.

HON'BLE SRI DEVINDER GUPTA,

CHIEF JUSTICE

AND

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE C.V. RAMULU.

W.P.NO. 2497 OF 2001.

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(Order of the Bench delivered by

Hon'ble The Chief Justice)

Dt: 09.08.2004.

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